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SUBJECT: ATTENDANCE AT CANTON FAIR BY HONG KONG CONGEN OFFICERS

REF: A) PEKING 408 B) STATE 53950 :) STATE 57704

1. USLO'S PLANS FOR SUPPORTING THE DEPARTMENT'S REQUESTS FOR VISAS FOR HONG KONG CONGEN OFFICERS TO ATTEND THE SPRING CANTON FAIR HAVE GONE SLIGHTLY AWRY. ON RECEIPT REF. B., WE REQUESTED AN APPOINTMENT WITH MFT "TO DISCUSS THE FORTHCOMING CANTON FAIR." MFT RESPONDED WITH A MESSAGE SAYING THAT THE PROPOSED SUBJECT WAS TOO BROAD AND REQUESTING CLARIFICATION. FOR EXAMPLE, MFT ASKED, DID WE WISH TO BRING UP THE MATTER OF OUR ATTENDANCE AT THE FAIR.

2. SINCE OUR PLAN HAD BEEN TO DISCUSS FAIR ATTENDANCE BY CONGEN PERSONNEL ONLY IN A BROADER CONTEXT, USLO ELECTED NOT TO RESPOND TOO SPECIFICALLY TO MFT'S QUERY. WE THEREFORE REPLIED THAT "ATTENDANCE" WAS INDEED OUR PROPOSED TOPIC. MFT THEREUPON INFORMED US THAT HOROWITZ AND ROPE SHOULD SIMPLY ADDRESS ROUTINE APPLICATIONS TO MFA FOR TRAVEL TO CANTON I.E. THAT A MEETING WITH MFT IS NOT NECESSARY).

3. BY RESPONDING TO OUR REQUEST FOR A MEETING IN THIS FASHION,  
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MFT HAS EFFECTIVELY FORECLOSED OUR OPPORTUNITY TO BRING UP

ATTENDANCE BY CONGEN PERSONNEL UNLESS WE MAKE THAT THE SPECIFIC  
SUBJECT OF THE MEETING. WE SUSPECT THAT MFT ANTICIPATED THAT WE  
MIGHT WANT TO RAISE THE MATTER OF CONGEN ATTENDANCE  
AND SOUGHT TO AVOID BEING CONFRONTED ON THE MATTER AS IT WAS  
LAST FALL. AT THIS POINT, WE THINK IT BEST TO AWAIT PRC RESPONSE  
TO THE DEPARTMENT'S NOTE (REF C) BEFORE CONTEMPLATING FURTHER  
ACTION.

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